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Please note that news sites update their hyperlinks, so it is advised that articles of interest be read soon as they might not be accessible later.

Detroit Free Press: Judge orders demolition of \$1M Macomb County mansion in fight over property line

"A Macomb County judge says a couple have to tear down all or part of their mansion because they built it too close to a neighbor's property. Circuit Judge Mark Switalski said Monday he doesn't have discretion to approve a deal to avoid full or partial demolition. The Michigan Court of Appeals previously ruled that at least part of the 9,000-square-foot home had to come down."

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Also see:

The Detroit News: Judge: Part or all of Macomb Co. mansion must come down

[Full story](#)

The Macomb Daily: Macomb judge: All or part of mansion must be demolished

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Oakland Press.

Detroit Free Press: Lawsuit challenges Duggan as write-in candidate for Detroit mayor's race

"The legal battle over whether Mike Duggan can run as a write-in candidate for mayor of Detroit heated up Monday as competitor Tom Barrow challenged the former Detroit Medical Center CEO's eligibility and sought a temporary restraining order to stop Duggan from distributing educational materials regarding his write-in campaign."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

The Detroit News: Duggan's Detroit mayoral bid faces new challenge

[Full story](#)

The MiLW Blog: Barrow files another suit to keep Duggan off Detroit ballot

[Full story](#)

WDIV-TV(4)/Detroit: Mike Duggan's campaign for Detroit mayor in trouble again

[Full story](#)

WXYZ-TV(7)/Detroit: Detroit mayoral candidate Tom Barrow challenges Mike Duggan's write-in candidacy

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The Detroit News: Time to review prison sentences; Michigan locks up too many convicts, for too long, at a great cost to the state. Are there better options?

The editorial states "An 18-month review of Michigan's sentencing guidelines gives the state a chance to make the prison system do what it's supposed to do — protect citizens from dangerous criminals and punish and rehabilitate offenders who pose a lesser threat to public safety. Gov. Rick Snyder and lawmakers, with the sign-off of key judges, will study how to use new sentencing practices to reduce the \$2 billion annual cost of the Corrections Department."

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Daily Press & Argus: Marion not yet sold on property deal

"... The issue [between Marion township and developer Highland Howell LLC] had been the focus of a court case that reached the Michigan Supreme Court, with the developer arguing its payments should be returned because the township moved the line. The high court upheld a Michigan Tax Tribunal ruling in the township's favor."

[Full story](#)

Daily Press & Argus: Court Docket: Court to hear representation appeal today

"The Michigan Court of Appeals will hear today a Madison Heights attorney's appeal of a Livingston County judge's ruling that booted him from representing two women on charges they sold synthetic marijuana."

[Full story](#)

Detroit Legal News: Weekend and holiday arraignment on warrants for Wayne County and Detroit

"Cases originating in Wayne County (including the City of Detroit) will be held at the 34th District Court in Romulus. Court begins at 12 noon."

[Full story](#)

The Herald-Palladium/St. Joseph: Judge Hamre stepping down after 17 years

"Van Buren County will be getting a new circuit court judge soon. Circuit Court Judge Paul Hamre is retiring Aug. 2, after 17 years on the bench. His current term ends in 2014. He plans to go back to working as a private lawyer."

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Lansing State Journal: Lansing's second black dentist remembered as a charitable leader

"... [Dr. Clinton Canady Jr.] became a pillar of Lansing's black professional community, working alongside Dr. William Henry Harrison and attorney Stuart Dunnings Jr., said his son, Ingham County Circuit Judge Clinton Canady III."

[Full story](#)

Macomb County Legal News: Macomb's Business Court receives national honors

"Macomb County's Business Court has been honored with a 2013 Achievement Award by the National Association of Counties (NACo). Due to its 'exceptional results and unique innovations,' the NACo said, the program had been chosen to receive the top honor in the Court Administration and Management category."

[Full story](#)

Michigan Radio/Ann Arbor: Do right-to-work laws undermine the Michigan Civil Service Commission?

"On Friday, the Associated Press reported that the Michigan Supreme Court won't give an early ruling on the state's right-to-work law. Gov. Rick Snyder pressed the state's high court to weigh in on the constitutionality of the laws, which were quickly passed during a lame duck legislative session last December."

[Full story](#)

Also see:

Grand Haven Tribune: Top Mich. court won't rule early on right-to-work

[Full story](#)

Note: Versions of the Associated Press article also ran in the Alpena News, the Daily Mining Gazette/Houghton, the Daily News/Iron Mountain, the Daily Press/Escanaba and the Monroe Evening News.

The Times Herald/Port Huron: Editorial: Right to Work in for long court struggle

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**** The article is available by subscription only.**

Michigan Radio/Ann Arbor: State lawmakers plan to take up bill to revive medical pot dispensaries

"... Earlier this year, the Michigan Supreme Court handed down a ruling that effectively stopped most marijuana dispensaries from operating in the state. The court ruled that the dispensaries can be shut down as a public nuisance. Now state lawmakers say they're close to a deal on legislation that would allow and regulate the facilities."

[Full story](#)

The MiLW Blog: New hours at 40th District Court

"Effective immediately, there are new hours at the 40th District Court in St. Clair Shores. The hours are now 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.... In addition to the new hours, court operations are also being conducted at a temporary facility while a new courthouse is being built.... A new \$3.6 million facility is being constructed and is expected to open this fall."

[Full story](#)

The News-Herald/Southgate: STATE: Supreme Court to hear Lincoln Park man's case on life sentence for murder

"The Michigan Supreme Court on Friday agreed to hear the case of a Lincoln Park man who has been in prison for more than 24 years after being convicted of first-degree murder. Matthew Makowski, 46, is serving a life sentence without parole for his role in the April 15, 1988, stabbing death of Pietro 'Peter' Puma, 19, of Dearborn."

[Full story](#)

Note: The article also ran in the Press & Guide/Dearborn.

Also see:

The Holland Sentinel: Michigan Supreme Court agrees to hear parole fight case

[Full story](#)

WKAR News/East Lansing: Michigan Supreme Court Will Decide Whether A Governor Can Reverse A Pardon

[Full story](#)

Petoskey News-Review: Court high school headed to Charlevoix

"The Great Lakes Academic Center, a high school located in Boyne Falls that serves court-placed students and those involved with substance abuse treatment, will likely part ways with the Boyne City Public School district after a nearly 18-year cooperative relationship. The school is slated to be relocated to the now-empty Charlevoix Middle School building for the upcoming 2013-14 school year."

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